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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperatures averaged near normal, with no unusually cool or hot weather. Precipitation ranged from none over much of the east central portion of the State to local heavy showers in the Panhandle, the southwest, and the southeastern corner. There was more than the normal amount of sunshine. Winds were light to moderate. Humidity was rather high during the early part of the week, but low over the week end.

CROPS Clear weather and drying fields touched off a busy week as farmers pushed to complete major field jobs that had been piling up during the continued wet spell. Major emphasis was on corn planting with about four-fifths of the crop in by June 1. The biggest delay in corn planting was in the southwest and Panhandle counties where cool weather and intermittent rains continue to hamper planting. Sorghum planting made good headway last week. About one-fourth of the acreage was planted. Locally heavy, washing rains will result in some replanting of corn and sorghums. Alfalfa hay harvest made a good start also. The crop generally is yielding an excellent tonnage for the first cutting, although locally, disease, weeds and insects have been harmful.

Winter wheat continued to make favorable progress with the crop headed, or beginning to head, over much of the wheat area. Growth is rank and locally, lodging has occurred from heavy rains or high winds. Oats and barley have made only fair progress. Below normal temperatures have slowed growth after a late start this spring. However, there are some sections in the southern counties where last week's more nearly normal temperatures were beneficial.

Wild hay and pasture feed prospects registered improvement. Sugar beet thinning is approaching a peak in the North Platte Valley. Demand for farm labor is strong with haying now started and field work still behind schedule.

LIVESTOCK Livestock were generally making good progress with the pasture feed supply adequate to abundant over much of the State. A number of western counties report losses from grass tetany. Branding and vaccinating activities were common in the range cattle counties.

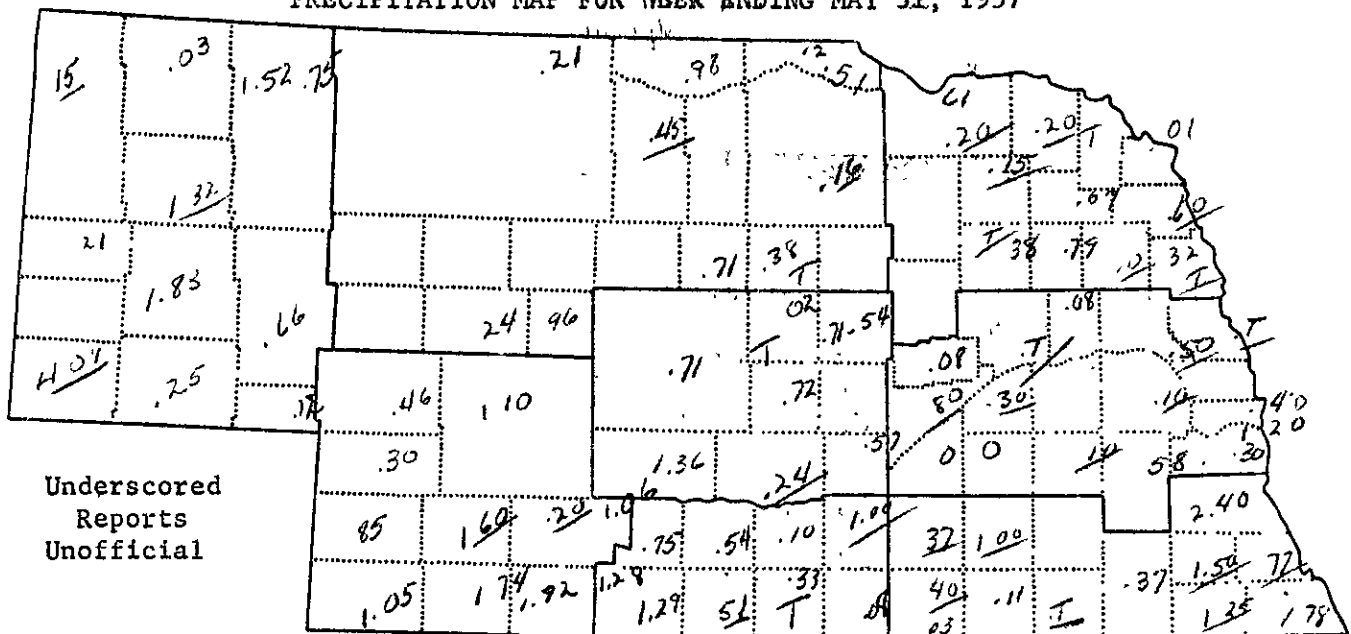
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 3, 1957

<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island .45	Burwell .38	Chadron .03
Lincoln .58	North Platte 1.10	Imperial .66
Norfolk .38	Valentine .09	Scottsbluff .12
Omaha .40		Sidney .05
Sioux City .01		

Precipitation, April 1 - May 31, 1957

	NW	NC	NE	Cen	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total Past Week	.67	.46	.31	.58	.29	1.04	.70	.94
Total Since April 1	7.58	8.10	5.13	9.91	6.18	9.60	9.02	8.04
Long-time Avg. Since April 1	4.73	5.20	5.80	5.49	5.96	5.04	5.74	6.54

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 1957



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		May				June			
		28		29		30		31	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	81	50	79	53	74	53	81	57
	Scottsbluff	79	48	81	51	79	54	78	54
	Sidney	78	48	80	48	79	51	77	51
NC	Burwell	--	55	--	--	73	50	81	57
	Valentine	81	57	81	53	75	49	78	53
NE	Norfolk	77	56	81	57	78	54	75	55
	Sioux City	78	50	83	58	81	57	80	59
Cen	Grand Island	77	54	78	54	77	55	80	54
EC	Lincoln	77	48	79	60	84	59	80	61
	Omaha	73	54	81	59	82	58	79	60
SW	Imperial	73	54	77	51	82	48	78	56
	North Platte	75	55	79	54	78	52	77	58

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